

Which were severally read, and referred to the committee on pensions and revolutionary claims.

Mr. Edelen presented petitions of John T. Kidwell, Matilda Cooper and Susan I. Ward, of Prince Georges county, severally praying to be placed on the pension list of said county; which were read and referred to the committee on pensions to indigent persons by county assessments.

Mr. Teackle presented a memorial and petition of James Lawson and others, of Somerset county, representing the increase of grog shops as a grievance, and praying that the courts of justice may be required by law to restrict the granting of licences for such shops; which was read and referred to the committee on grievances and courts of justice.

Mr. Lantz presented a petition of sundry citizens of Allegany county, praying the passage of a law, authorizing the commissioners of said county, to purchase land and erect a poor house thereon, for the benefit of said county; which was read and referred to Messrs. Lantz, Bruce and Slicer.

Mr. Merrick presented a petition of John C. Jones and others, citizens of Charles county, praying the interposition of the Legislature, to protect more effectually the citizens of that county, residing on or near the banks of the Potomac River, from the lawless practices of the bands of foreign marauders which infest the waters of that river in the character of fishermen and fowlers, which was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject;

Also, presented a petition of James R. Brent, praying to be permitted to bring into the State of Maryland, from the District of Columbia, certain slaves therein mentioned; which was read and referred to Messrs. Merrick, Rogerson and Edelen;

And Mr. Bruce presented a petition of sundry citizens of Allegany county, praying the passage of a law authorizing the commissioners of said county, to purchase land and erect a poor house thereon, for the benefit of said county; which was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

On motion by Mr. Willson,

Ordered, That the committee of claims be, and they are hereby authorized and required to settle the account of Joseph H. Nicholson, (clerk to the Senate,) for recording the proceedings of the Electors of the old Senate of Maryland, so far as preserved, from the year 1781 to the year